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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ADMINISTRATION

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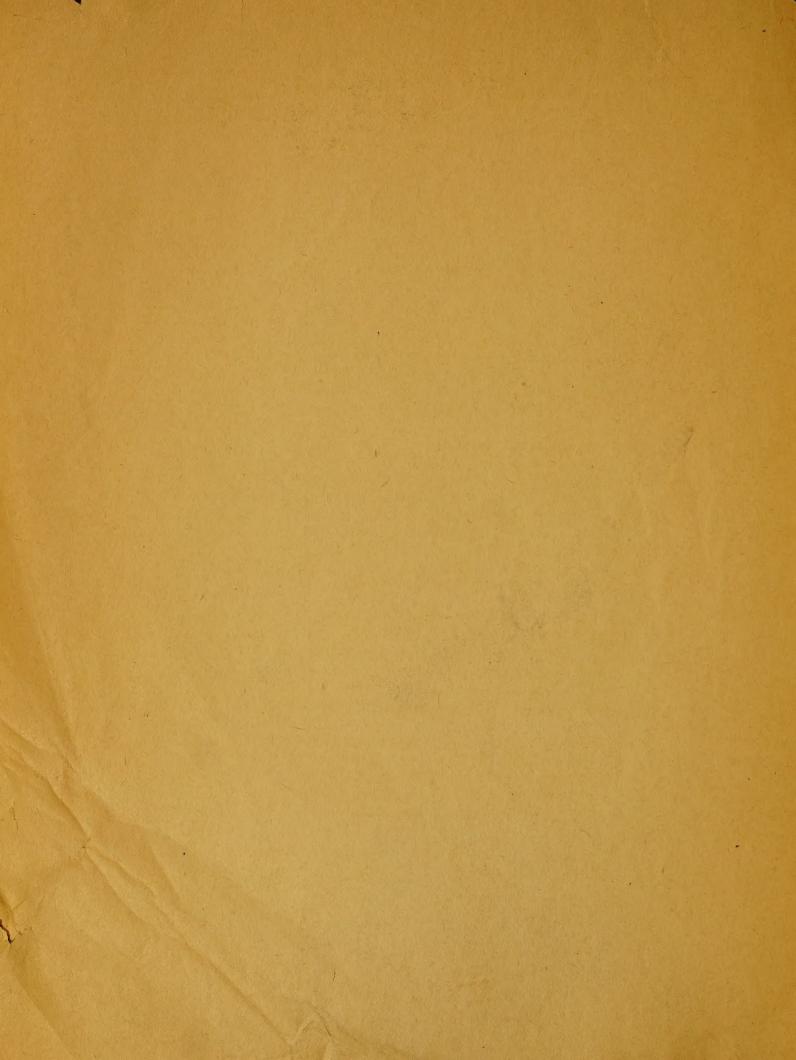
HEPR-5 and its first amendment restricted the authority of State committees to approve and grant priority assistance for farm dwelling construction. One result of these changes has been a substantial increase in the number of applications for modernization and repair which are referred to Washington for action. Every effort is being made to expedite the handling of these applications.

In modernization cases the lack of a furnace or modern plumbing is not considered as an unusual and extreme hardship unless such lack is endangering the health of the occupants. If members of the county committee do not have personal knowledge that the applicants' claims are true, approval should not be recommended on the basis of health until such claims are substantiated. In some cases it might be desirable for the applicant to furnish a statement from the family physician certifying that the proposed improvements are necessary for the health of the applicants' family.

There has been some misunderstanding about conditions under which Form NHA-14-92 should be used. This form should be used only for cases involving emergency repairs to existing plumbing or heating facilities which have ceased to function and then only when the total cost of the materials for such repairs will not exceed \$200. Form NHA-14-56 should be used for all other heating and plumbing applications.

In order that the appeals committee here may function effectively, complete information should be furnished with applications and State and county committee recommendations should be clear and unqualified. Brief letters of transmittal often do not give a clear understanding of the position taken by the committee.

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Subject: CPA Order L-359 - Lumber

Distribution will soon be made of CPA Order L-359 relating to lumber and lumber products. This order supersedes Directive 1 to PR-33. A graphic digest of L-359 prepared by the Department of Commerce is also being distributed.

Under paragraph (d)(1) of L-359, a distributor may order for delivery each month the larger of

- (1) Two carloads per quarter not to exceed one carload per month
- (2) 5% of his January 1, 1942 inventory; or
- (3) 133-1/3% of the lumber covered by certified or rated orders accepted by the dealer for delivery in the month in which delivery is requested of the sawmill, but not in excess of 13% of his January 1, 1942 inventory.

Distributors placing orders under (1) above are required to reserve for priority holders 75% of the lumber delivered until the end of the month during which the lumber is received. Nost rural lumber yards are in this category.

Distributors placing orders under (2) and (3) above are required to reserve for priority holders 75% of the lumber received until the end of the month following the month during which the lumber was received.

It will be noted that all distributors may sell without priority 25% of the lumber received.

There are no significant changes in the order in connection with the operation of savmills.

Many reports are received concerning the lack of information on the part of distributors and the misunderstandings which result therefrom. It is suggested that this condition may be improved by an effort on the part of county committees to publicize the information contained in Order L-359 and in this memorandum. A better understanding of the regulations by distributors should tend to minimize confusion and lessen farmers' difficulties in obtaining small quantities of lumber.

For details consult the order.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION AND MARKETING APPLINISTRATYON

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Subject: Surplus Property -- WAA Reg. Suppli In order to clarify the joint responsibility of the War Assets Administration and the Department of Agriculture in carrying out the provisions of Section 17 of the Surplus Property Act of 1944, WAA Regulation 3 was amended on September 13, 1946. (11 Federal Register 11136). A copy of the amended WAA Regulation 3 is enclosed.

To implement WAA Regulation 3, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the War Assets Administrator and the Secretary of Agriculture concerning the disposal of surplus property in rural areas. A copy of the Memorandum of Understanding is enclosed.

Also enclosed is an outline of WAA policy on disposal of surplus property in rural areas and to farmers. Paragraph 3 of this document establishes an Agricultural Specialist in each regional WAA office and outlines his duties and responsibilities under WAA Regulation 3.

In accordance with Part 2 of the Memorandum of Understanding each State PMA Director is hereby designated as the Department's liaison officer for his State.

Section 8303.3 of WAA Regulations 3 and Parts 2 and 3 of the Memorandum of Understanding, as well as the enclosed statement of WAA Policy, deal with the diversion of surplus property, into rural areas. As outlined in the policy statement, the State Director will act in an advisory capacity to the appropriate Regional Agricultural Specialist. He will not be expected to recommend or certify individual purchases but will make such recommendations as he deems appropriate with respect to the diversion of surplus property into rural areas to farmers, and to farmers' cooperatives.

Section 8303.4 of WAA Regulation 3 and Part 1 of the Memorandum of Understanding deal with food production impairment which can be handled only by the Washington office. In cases where food production is impaired or threatened with impairment because of the shortage of any item listed in Section 8303.4 of WAA Regulation 3, recommendations by the State Director regarding the situation should be made immediately to the appropriate Regional Director, FSB. The impairment provisions are intended for use in meeting emergency needs in an area and are not well adapted for use in isolated cases. Misunderstanding of this has led some farmers to seek individual assistance under the impairment provisions.

As soon as the Agricultural Specialists for the regional WAA offices have been appointed, State PMA Directors will be notified as to their names and addresses.

Director



[Reg. 3]

PART 8303—DISPORITION OF SURPLUS PROP-ERTY IN RURAL AREAS AND TO FRIMERS

Surplus Property Board Regulation 3, issued April 25, 1945, as amended September 25, 1945, entitled "Dispositions of Surplus Property in Rural Areas and to Farmers" (10 F. R. 53°5, 12266), is hereby revised and amended as herein set forth as War Assets Administration Regulation 3. Orders 1 through 104 under this part are hereby revoked and rescinded.

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303.1 Definitions.

8309.2 Scope.

8303.3 Diversion of surplus property into rural areas.

8303.4 Surplus trucks, machinery, equipment and farm production supplies needed to prevent impairment or threatened impairment of farm production.

8303.5 Violations by purchasers. 8303.6 Records and reports.

AUTHORITY: §§ 8303.1 to 8303.6, inclusive, issued under Surplus Property Act of 1944, as amended (58 Stat. 765, as amended; 50 U. S. C. App. Sup. 1611); Pub. Law 181, 79th Cong. (59 Stat. 533: 50 U. S. C. App. Sup. 1614a, 1614b); and Executive Order 9689 (11 F. R. 1265).

§ 8303.1 Definitions—(a) Terms defined in act. Terms not defined in paragraph (b) of this section which are defined in the Surplus Property Act of 1944 shall in this part have the meaning given to them in the act.

(b) Other terms. (1) "Farmer" means an individual, firm, or corporation chiefly engaged in farming or tillage of the soil, in dairy farming, or in the production of poultry, livestock or poultry or livestock products in their un-

manufactured state.

(2) "Farmers' cooperative association" means any association in which farmers act together in processing, preparing for market. handling or marketing farm products, and any association in which farmers act together in purchasing, testing, grading, processing, distributing, or furnishing farm supplies; Provided, however, That any such association is operated for the mutual benefit of the members thereof as such producers or purchasers.

§ 8303.2 Scope. This regulation shall apply only to disposals of surplus personal property made by disposal agencies within the continental United States, its territories and possessions.

§ 8303.3 Diversion of surplus property into rural areas—(a) Policy statement. In order to effectuate the provisions of section 17 of the Surplus Property Act of 1944 (exclusive of the proviso) it is the policy of the War Assets Administrator to cause appropriate quantities of surplus property to be sold or channeled into rural areas so that farmers and farmers' cooperative associations will be accorded an opportunity to purchase equal to that accorded buyers having no priority under the act. The Secretary of Agriculture shall be consulted concerning the requirements of rural areas, problems of distribution, and determination of distribution and end use of surplus property requiring processing or fabrication into end use products.

(b) Allocation and disposal of surplus property. In carrying out the foregoing policy disposal agencies shall, after satisfying all priorities as provided in the act and applicable regulations of the War Assets Administrator, to the extent available sell in rural areas for distribution in rural areas such quantities of surplus property as may under the circumstances appear reasonable. The Secretary of Agriculture may from time to time advise the War Assets Administrator of the quantities of such property which he finds should be channeled to rural areas.

(c) Methods of disposal. The appropriate quantities to be channeled into rural areas under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section shall be disposed of as follows:

(1) To distributors, dealers, wholesalers, farmers' cooperative associations or retailers who customarily distribute the type of property offered in rural areas, or

(2) By any other method or methods, reasonably calculated to effectuate disposal in rural areas.

§ 8303 4 Surplus trucks, machinery, equipment and farm production supplies needed to prevent impairment or threatened impairment of farm production-(a) Policy statement. In accordance with the impairment provision of section 17 of the act, it is the policy of the War Assets Administrator to make reasonable quantities of available surplus trucks, machinery, and equipment (including farm production supplies) available for disposal in rural areas to farmers and farmers' cooperative associations whenever a shortage of such items impairs or threatens to impair farm production. Disposal agencies shall, except as to such property as may be set aside for exclusive disposal to veterans in accordance with the provisions of Part 8302 2 dispose of such property to the extent and in the manner set forth herein without regard to the requirements of that part.

(b) Determination of impairment or threatened impairment of farm production. If the Secretary of Agriculture shall find that farm production is impaired or is threatened to be impaired by a shortage of trucks, machinery, and equipment (including farm production supplies), he shall so inform, in writing, the War Assets Administrator, advising the nature of the impairment or threatened impairment, the types and quantities needed to relieve such impairment or threatened impairment. and the action he deems necessary in the circumstances.

(c) Action upon-information regarding impairment. Unless the War Assets Administrator finds that the quantity of trucks, machinery, and equipment (including farm production supplies) requested by the Secretary of Agriculture exceeds a reasonable portion of the supply of such items available for disposal hereunder, considering the existence of the impairment or threatened impairment. he will take such action as may be feasible to make such property immediately available for disposal as hereinafter provided. In the event the War Assets Administrator finds that the quantity requested by the Secretary of Agriculture exceeds a reasonable portion of such items available from surplus, the portion to be so distributed will be determined by the War Assets Administrator after consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture.

(d) Methods of disposal. The types and quantities of surplus property designated as needed to prevent impairment or threatened impairment shall be disposed of to farm organizations, farmers, farmers' cooperative associations, dealers, distributors, wholesalers, manufacturers, retailers, jobbers, processors or others, who customarily use the type of property offered or distribute it for use by resale to farmers, or by such other disposal methods as may be deemed advisable by the Administrator in the light of recommendations from the Secretary of Agriculture.

§ 8303.5 Violations by purchasers. Any person or organization who shall make a false representation or who shall be found to have defaulted on any undertaking or promise required by this regulation shall, in addition to any other penalties prescribed by law, be disqualified to acquire any surplus property disposed of under this regulation.

§ 8303 6 Records and renorts. Owning and disposal agencies shall prepare and maintain such records as will show full compliance with the provisions of this part and with the applicable provisions of the act. Reports shall be prepared and filed with the War Assets Administrator in such manner as may be specified by order issued under this part subject to the approval of the Bureau of the Budget pursuant to the Federal Reports Act of 1942.

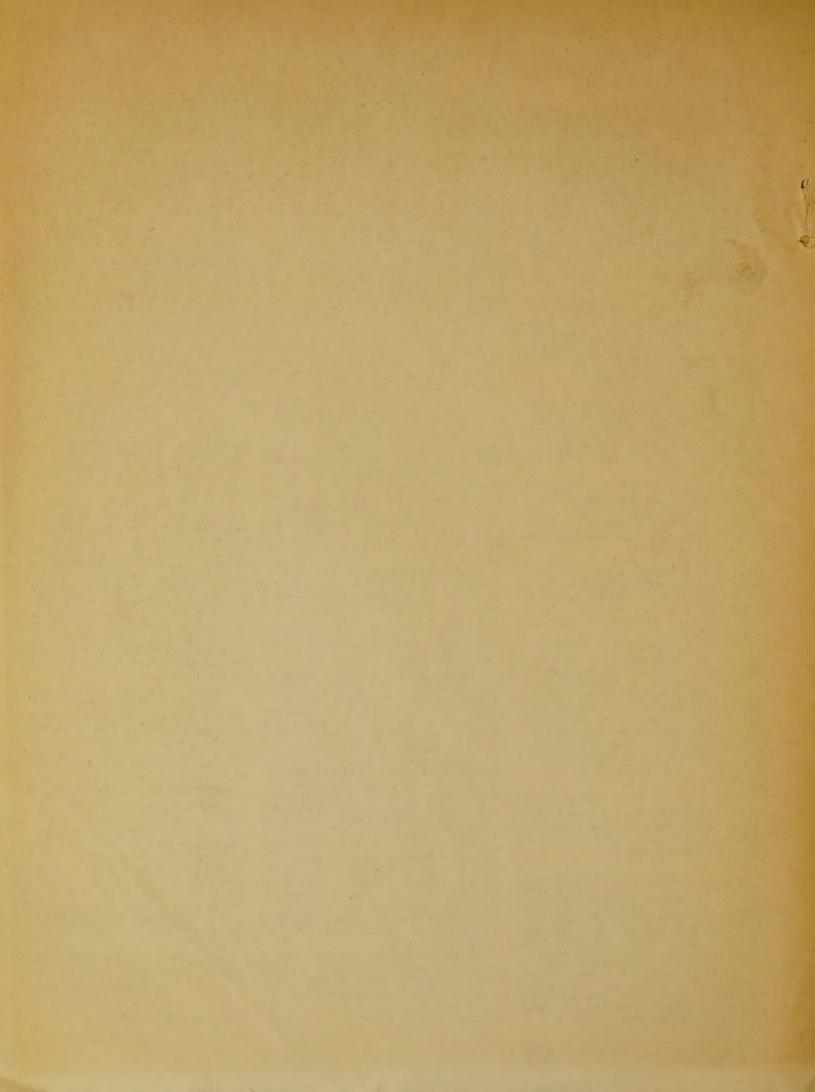
This revision of this part shall become effective September 24, 1946.

ROBERT W. LITTLEJOHN, Administrator.

SEPTEMBER 13, 1946.

Orders 1 to 102 inclusive allocating trucks for disposal to farmers and farmers' cooperative organizations were issued on various dates between June 13, 1945, and August 22, 1945. (10 F. R. 7416, 7933, 8679, 8680, 9376, 9377, 9378, 9562, 9563, 9632, 9697, 9702, 9727, 9728, 9909, 9945, 9946, 9085, 9886, 10067, 10068, 10106, 10106, 10107, 10108, 10109, 10338, 10339, 10340, 10341, 11038, 11039.) Trucks so allocated were released from the provisions of these orders by Order 103, issued August 31, 1945 (10 F. R. 11378). The transaction authorized by Order 104, July 3, 1946 (11 F. R. 7684) has been completed.

² Reg. 2 (11 F. R. 10035).



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE WAR ASSETS ADMINISTRATOR AND THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE CONCERNING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY IN RURAL AREAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 17 OF THE SURPLUS PROPERTY ACT OF 1944.

- l. The Secretary of Agriculture and the War Assest Administrator will each designate personnel to serve as representatives of their respective agencies in Washington in all matters pertaining to the diversion of surplus property to and the disposal of surplus property in rural areas, in meeting emergency area and seasonal situations as they may develop and in making operative the impairment or threatened impairment provisions of WAA Revised Regulation 3.
- 2. The Secretary of Agriculture may designate a liaison officer or officers to collaborate with the War Assets Administration Agricultural Specialist in any of the War Assets Regional or District Offices he may elect. Such liaison officer(s) shall have access through the WAA Agricultural Specialist to the information on the property records of such regional offices and shall be informed about appropriate surplus property for which declarations have been received or are anticipated. Such liaison officer(s) may make recommendations to the WAA Agricultural Specialist with respect to (1) areas and seasonal agricultural needs, and (2) the desirable diversion of surplus property, both as to quantity and type, to rural areas.
- Department of Agriculture liaison officer(s) such information as may come to, or be developed by, him with respect to area and seasonal requirements of farmers in his region and the actions proposed to be taken to meet such needs; he will receive recommendations from the Department of Agriculture liaison officer(s) on programs for the disposal of surplus property in rural areas, he will study and consider such recommendations and consult with members of the regional War Assets Administration staff regarding the feasibility of such recommendations. In general, the office of the Agricultural Specialist in War Assets Administration offices will be the focal point at which the activities of the liaison officer(s) of the Department of Agriculture will center and all requests therefrom for WAA information and data will clear through the WAA Agricultural Specialist.

/s/ Robert M. Little john
War Assets Administrator (date)

/s/ N. E. Dodd October 29, 1946
Acting Secretary of Agriculture (date



OUTLINE OF WAA POLICY ON DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY IN RURAL AREAS AND TO FARMERS

- 1. Policy Regarding disposition of Surplus Property in Rural Areas and to Farmers. The policy of the War Assets Administration with respect to the channeling of available surplus property into rural areas for the benefit of farmers and farmers' cooperative associations is set forth in Regulation 3 Revised.
- 2. Organization Responsibility in the Departmental Office. The responsibilit for national direction and co-ordination of War Assets Administration activities respecting the channeling of surplus property to rural areas rests with the Agricultural Branch, Disposal Policy Division, Washington.
- 3. WAA Regional Office Responsibility with Respect to Agricultural Disposals. Each Regional Director shall designate an official of the Public Interest Division, Special Programs Branch, on a full-time or part-time basis, to have responsibility, under the direction of the Chief of the Special Programs Branch or the Chief of the Public Interest Division, as the case may be, for developing, to the fullest extent possible, the disposal of surplus property to agricultural users within the region. The duties and responsibilities in this connection shall be as follows:
 - a. To implement WAA policies and procedures with respect to disposals in rural areas and co-ordinate all activities pertaining to special programs relating thereto.
 - b. To receive and consider advice and recommendations of such liaison officers as the Secretary of Agriculture may designate as his representative in matters pertaining to the disposals of surplus property in rural areas of the region.
 - c. To maintain liaison with farm organizations, farmers' co-operatives and other organizations concerned with farm interests to facilitate the flow of information respecting agricultural needs and availability of surplus.
 - d. To determine special needs in rural areas.
 - e. To co-operate with regional commodity divisions in determining availability of specially needed farm production supplies and equipment which may be channeled into rural areas after priority claimants are satisfied.
 - f. To co-operate with the regional operating divisions in determining the proper method of disposal and the lot sizes in which surplus property may be offered to rural areas.
 - g. To develop, in co-operation with research divisions primarily responsible, ways and means of adapting to agricultural use items of surplus property not readily disposable.

- h. To co-operate with the Information and Advertising Divisions in the development and dissemination of informational and advertising material directed to rural areas.
- i. To prepare such regular and special reports with respect to these activities as may be required by the Regional Director for his own use or for submission to the Agricultural Branch of the Disposal Policy Division, Washington.
- 4. Effective Date. This instruction shall be effective at once. /APO-O/

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ADMINISTRATION

Field Service Branch Washington 25, D. C. November 21, 1946

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Subject: Direction Concerning Deliveries of Coal JAN 29

There is attached a copy of the direction concerning the deliveries of coal is by the Solid Fuels Administrator for War on November 16. 1946 is for in-

Paragraph 4 of this document provides that Area Distribution Managers may modify the limitations imposed by this direction under certain circumstances. The names and addresses of the Area Distribution Managers are as follows:

District Numbers	Mames and Addresses of Area Distribution Managers	District Numbers	Names and Addresses of Area Distribution Managers
1 .	J.N. Geyer Post Office Duilding 11th Ave & 12th Street Altoona, Pennsylvania	2	Harry A. Shutter 311 Old Post Office Bldg. Smithfield St. & 4th Avenue Pittsburgh 22, Ponnsylvania
3	Daniel E. Cronin Jacobs Building Monroe & Merdith Sts. Fairmont, West Virginia	4-6	Howard A. Smith 501 Bulkley Building 1501 Euclid Avenue Cleveland 16, Ohio
7	W.C. Dobbie Solid Fuels Administration for War Washington 25, D.C.	8	Clifton B. Cleaves 608 Transportation Building 4th & Sycamore Streets Cincinnati 2, Ohio
9	Harry Rightmire Dulin Building 33 South Main Street Madisonville, Kentucky	10	James C. Fitzpatrick Room 1158 Merchandise Mart 222 W.N. Bank Drive Chicago 54, Illinois
11	Robert E. Gray Chamber of Commerce Building 324 N. Meridan Street Indianapolis 4, Indiana	12	Gilford D. Miller 323 Federal Office Building 5th and Court Avenues Des Moines, Iowa
13 // -	Howard J. Thomas 706 Chamber of Commerce Bldg. 1829 First Avenue, North Birmingham 3, Alabama.	14-15	E.N. Ahlfeldt 2802 Fidelity Building 9th & Walnut Streets Kansas City, Mo.
16-20 22-23	Robert B. Griffith 320 Tabor Opera House Building		

Denver 2, Colorado

Director



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Solid Fuels Administration for War
Washington

TITLE 30 - MINERAL RESOURCES

CHAPTER VI - SOLID FUELS ADMINISTRATION FOR WAR

PART 602 - GENERAL ORDERS AND DIRECTIVES

Motice of Direction No. 5 under \$\$ 602.875, 602.876, 602.878, and 602.879 of Revised Regulation No. 32, as amended 7

DIRECTION CONCERNING DELIVERIES OF BITUMINOUS COAL BY RETAIL DEALERS, AND COMMERCIAL DOCK OPERATORS AT LAKE AND TIDEWATER

In order to conserve the diminishing supply of bituminous coal for the uses most essential to the health and safety of the Nation, and notwithstanding any provisions of Revised Regulation No. 32, as amended (11 F. R. 8575; 11 F. R. 10282; 11 F. R. 11560), the following direction is hereby issued, pursuant to the provisions of SFAW Regulation No. 1:

- 1. Retail dealers and lake and tidewater dock operators engaged in the commercial distribution of bituminous coal are hereby prohibited from delivering such coal except to:
 - (a) the following consumers provided they certify in writing to the retail dealer, lake or tidewater dock operator that they have less than a 10-days' supply; public utilities which render public service by supplying electricity, water, gas, sewage disposal service or street railway transportation to any community, railroads, laundries, hospitals, food processing plants (including milk plants, dairies, and commercial bakeries), and refrigeration plants;
 - (b) steamships or tugboats for bunker or galley fuel;
 - (c) domestic consumers for use in a dwelling, apartment, or hotel, provided the consumer has less than 10 days' supply based on his actual needs for the next succeeding 10 days;
 - (d) retail dealers for delivery to an eligible consumer described in subparagraphs (a), (b), or (c) hereof, provided that the dealer certifies in writing that he needs the coal in order to supply such eligible consumer and that if the consumer is eligible under subparagraph (a) hereof the dealer has in his possession the written certificate of the consumer that he has less than a 10-days' supply; and

- (e) any person upon written direction or authorization of the appropriate SFAW Area Distribution Manager or Regional Representative.
- 2. Retail dealers, and lake and tidewater dock operators making deliveries of bituminous coal to an eligible consumer in accordance with paragraph 1 are prohibited from delivering an amount of bituminous coal which exceeds the consumer's minimum requirements for a period of 10 days, provided, however, (a) that this restriction shall not apply to deliveries to steamships or tugboats and (b) that the amount delivered to eligible domestic consumers may be a minimum truck or wagon load.
- All persons are prohibited from receiving any bituminous coal which a retail dealer, lake or tidewater dock operator is not permitted to deliver to him pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 above.
- 4. SFAW Area Distribution Managers and Regional Representatives are authorized to modify the limitations imposed by this direction within the area of their jurisdiction. Such modifications will be strictly limited (a) to cases in which the failure to supply coal will endanger the health or safety of the community, (b) to permit the non-wasteful and orderly process of manufacture that would be lost if coal were not supplied, including such continuous operation plants as glass plants, rayon plants, brick kilns, tanneries, and breweries, provided that such plant did not have a sufficient coal supply on the date of this order of close down in an orderly manner, and provided that such plant does not commence new production after the effective date of this direction, and (c) to permit the maintenance of humidity or temperature when necessary to prevent physical damage to materials, plant, or equipment.
- 5. No person shall be held liable for damages or penalties under any contract for any default which shall result directly or indirectly from compliance with the provisions of this direction.
- 6. This direction shall take effect immediately and remain in effect until further notice.
- (E. 0. 9125, 7 F. R. 2719, Apr. 7, 1942; E. 0. 9332, 8 F. R. 5355, Apr. 19, 1943; Sec. 2 (a), 54 Stat. 676, as amended by 55 Stat. 236, 56 Stat. 176, 58 Stat. 827, and 59 Stat. 658.)

Issued this 16th day of November, 1946.

Solid Fuels Administrator for War.